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This is better translated "having gone" or "in your going."

You are already proclaiming a message. What are you declaring?

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Luke 15:1-2

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Disciples need to be immersed in Godly community.

The question isn't when, but what are you teaching?

"I am with you"

It means that you have no fear because Jesus is with you.

A disciple is done pretending that everything is all right.

Next Steps

- Attend Campus Missionary Training.
- Go to War Week.
- Get baptized.

Reflection

- What are you proclaiming "in your going"?
- Who do you have contact with that isn't like you?
- What do you need to stop pretending about in your life?



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